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COPENHAGEN LONDON OTTAWA PARIS ROME STOCKHOLM TEHRAN  
THE HAGUE TOKYO MAY 22, 1978 REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L OSLO 2450

COPENHAGEN FOR DEA

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, NO

SUBJECT: POPPY PRODUCTION AND THE AID TO PAKISTAN MEETING

REF: STATE 118723

1. EMBOFF DISCUSSED POPPY PRODUCTION AND THE PAKISTAN  
CONSORTIUM WITH MFA SENIOR DEVELOPMENT ADVISER JON AASE  
MAY 19, FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM ASIA BANK MEETING.  
AASE WILL PARTICIPATE IN JUNE 1 PAKISTAN CONSORTIUM  
MEETING, BUT HE WAS ONLY JUST BEGINNING HIS PREPARATIONS.

2. AASE WAS NOT AWARE THAT POPPY PRODUCTION CONTROL  
WOULD BE CONSIDERED AT MEETING, BUT REAFFIRMED TO US  
NORWAY'S STRONG INTEREST IN USING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE  
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PROGRAMS TO COMBAT ILLICIT OPIUM PRODUCTION. HE PERSONALLY  
WAS PLEASED THAT THERE MIGHT BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS  
IN PARIS THE NARCOTIC CONTROL AID CONNECTION WITH REGARD TO  
PAKISTAN. AASE WAS, HOWEVER, QUICK TO POINT OUT THAT NORWAY  
FAVORED CROP SUBSTITUTION AND SOCIAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS  
LIKE ITS OWN GOLDEN TRIANGLE PROJECT OVER PROGRAMS THAT  
LINKED ASSISTANCE TO RECIPIENTS' ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS.

NORWAY THEREFORE WOULD NOT BE INTERESTED IN RAISING QUESTION OF "POPPY CLAUSES" IN DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN ITS OWN INTERVENTIONS AT THE MEETING, AND, WHILE NOT OPPOSING SUCH AN APPROACH, WOULD PROBABLY NOT SUPPORT SUCH AN INITIATIVE, ACCORDING TO AASE.

3. AASE ADDED THAT BECAUSE OF NORWAY'S LONG INVOLVEMENT IN AID TO PAKISTAN, HE WAS PERSONALLY QUITE FAMILIAR WITH THE POPPY GROWING AND PAKISTANI LACK OF SUCCESS AT ENFORCEMENT OF CONTROLS IN THE COUNTRY'S NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE. HE DOUBTED THAT THE AID-TIED-TO-ENFORCEMENT APPROACH IN PAKISTAN WOULD HAVE ANY MEANING, SINCE THE LIKELIHOOD OF PAKISTAN'S BEING ABLE TO CARRY OUT SUCH AN AGREEMENT WAS SMALL. LERNER UNQUOTE VANCE

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